

Dear Sir,

Council Chamber  
Annapolis June 9 1834.

By direction of the Governor and Council I send you herewith the two Reports of a Joint Committee and several Resolutions of the General Assembly in relation to the boundary lines between Virginia and this State. Joseph Merrick Esquire of Washington County, and Bened Pizman Esquire of Allegany, have been selected in pursuance of one of the Resolutions, to assist you in the prosecution of the Suit which you are requested to cause to be instituted against Virginia for the purpose of procuring a final legal settlement of the said boundary lines. It is made Mr Pizman's duty to select and prepare the evidence whether written or oral to illustrate and establish the claims and pretensions of this State, but you and Mr Merrick are both authorized to procure at the expense of the State, any copies of Records, Documents or papers which you may deem necessary to sustain the claims of this State.

With great respect I remain  
your Obedient Servant

Isaiah Bayly Esq.

Attorney General

Cambridge. E. Shore.

H. P. Callbreth

Dear Sir,

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I have the pleasure of handing you official evidence of your Selection as one of the additional Counsel provided for by Resolution of the General Assembly to assist the Attorney General in the prosecution of the claims of this State against the State of Virginia for a settlement of our Southern and Western boundaries.

This communication has been delayed in consequence of the Executive having omitted to instruct me when the Selection was made, as to the mode of advising you thereof. I had, after the Council adjourned, made out a Commission in the usual form, but upon reflection became satisfied that was not the proper mode, and consequently withheld it. At the meeting last week I received instructions to make known your Selection in the form of the enclosed communication.

With great respect, your Obedient Servant

Joseph J. Merrick Esq.

Attorney at Law

Chagerstown.

H. P. Callbreth

A similar letter to the above also was addressed to Bened Pizman Esq. Attorney at Law. Cumberland.

The two following are copies of the respective enclosures in the foregoing letters to Messrs Merrick and Pizman. Viz

Council Chamber  
Annapolis June 9<sup>th</sup> 1834

Dear Sir,

I am instructed by the Governor and Council to inform you that in virtue of a Resolution of the General Assembly they have selected you and Bened Pizman Esquire of Allegany County, to assist the Attorney General in the prosecution